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Title: MEDIA ACCESS CONTROL SCHEME FOR  
SERIALLY LINKED DEVICES

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For reasons set forth below, it is respectfully requested that the PTO file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Ricardo Pizarro, for confirmation that the references listed on PTO-1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 8, 2004 have been considered.

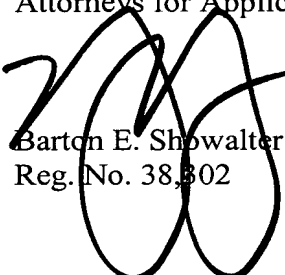
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An Office Action for this application was mailed on June 15, 2005. However, Examiner Pizarro has not returned a copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 8, 2004.

Accordingly, **Applicant hereby requests confirmation of consideration of the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.** Examiner Pizarro is requested to initial the references listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that they were appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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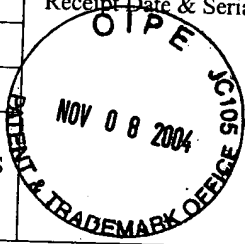


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